

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments to the claims are intended to place the application in condition for allowance. Specifically, Claims 1, 7-10, 12-16 and 19-21 have been canceled, and Claims 2, 11 and 17 has been amended. In view of these amendments and the following reasoning for allowance, the applicants hereby respectfully request further examination and reconsideration of the subject application.

Claims 1, 9, 10, 12, 14-16 and 19 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Davison et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,668,082. Claims 7 and 8 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over the combination of Davison and Fitzgibbon et al. (the article titled "Automatic Camera Recovery for Closed or Open Image Sequences"). And finally, Claims 2-6, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20 and 21 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Examiner stated that these latter claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

While no admission is made that the rejected claims are actually anticipated by the cited reference, the applicants have chosen to amend most of the objected to claims as suggested in the Office Action to further the prosecution of the application and expedite its allowance. More particularly, rejected Claims 1, 7-10, 12, 14-16 and 19, as well as objected to Claims 13, 20 and 21, have been cancelled. In addition, Claims 2, 11 and 17 have been rewritten to include all of the limitations of their base claims and any intervening claims. Claims 3-6 and 18 are all ultimately dependent from one of the rewritten claims, and so are allowable as originally filed.

In summary, it is believed that the remaining claims are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to remaining Claims 2-6, 11, 17 and 18 is respectfully requested. In addition, allowance of these claims at an early

date is courteously solicited.

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